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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Inventor:** David DIDUCH et al.      **Examiner:** Glenn K. DAWSON  
**Serial No.:** 10/084,283      **Confirmation No.** 7097  
**Filed:** February 26, 2002      **Group Art Unit:** 3731  
**Title:** SUTURE PASSING DEVICES

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2005 (the "Office Action"), in which a three (3) month shortened period for reply is August 12, 2005, a fully responsive amendment was filed on August 10, 2005. For the present supplemental amendment, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks:

Please amend claims 53, 58, 59 and 62 as follows.